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SUBJECT: RFE HANDLING OF KIRALY LETTER ON HUNGARIAN MINORITY IN ROMANIA

REF: BUCHAREST 815

1. EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING THAT RFE'S ROMANIAN SERVICE READ FULL TEXT OF KIRALY LETTER ON FEBRUARY 3 IS CORRECT. READING OF LETTER WAS FOLLOWED BY BACK-GROUND REPORT ON KIRALY, FOCUSING LARGELY ON REMARKS HE MADE AT FEBRUARY 12, 1971 CC PLENUM.

2. RFE MANAGEMENT INDICATES THAT BACKGROUND REPORT ON KIRALY WAS INTENDED PRIMARILY TO SHOW HOW SITUATION OF HUNGARIAN MINORITY IN ROMANIA HAD, IN KIRALY'S VIEW, DETERIORIATED SINCE 1971. RFE MANAGEMENT AGREES THAT BROADCASTING OF KIRALY'S 1971 REMARKS CAN BE INTERPRETED AS EFFORT TO HIGHLIGHT INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN HIS PRESENT VIEWS AND THOSE HELD IN 1971.

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3. RFE'S HUNGARIAN BROADCAST DEPARTMENT CARRIED FULL TEXT OF KIRALY LETTER WITHOUT COMMENT JANUARY 30. IN FEBRUARY 3 PROGRAM, BD CHIEF SZABADOS NOTED THAT LETTER HAD EVOKED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN WESTERN PRESS. SZABADOS POINTED TO STORIES BY FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE, LE MONDE, NEW YORK TIMES AND ECONOMIST.

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4. RFE'S CZECH AND POLISH BDS CARRIED ONLY BRIEF CROSS-REPORTING ON KIRALY LETTER.

5. RFE STRIVES TO HANDLE SENSITIVE ISSUE OF HUNGARIAN MINORITY IN ROMANIA CAREFULLY AND CIRCUMSPECTLY. CONGEN UNDERSTANDS RFE MANAGEMENT WILL CONTINUE TO AVOID MAKING BIG PRODUCTION OUT OF KIRALY LETTER.

6. CONGEN REGRETS DELAY IN RESPONDING TO REFTEL.
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